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April 28 - Chicago, IL - Improving Your Mammographic Skills
June 9 - Minneapolis, MN - Stereotactic and Interventional Breast Biopsy
June 30 - Milwaukee, WI - Emerging Technologies in Mammography
September 22 - Appleton, WI - Improving Your Mammographic Skills

Bone Densitometry

June 16 - Chicago, IL - Principles and Applications of Bone Densitometry

Nuclear Medicine

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Cross-Sectional Anatomy

October 27 & 28 - Chicago, IL - Cross-Sectional Anatomy for CT & MRI Conference

Radiography

March 3 - Minneapolis, MN - Trauma and Forensic Imaging: Not for the Timid
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Inquires concerning advertising space should be directed to the editor.

All address changes should be reported immediately to Member Services.

The initial RTR when used with proper names in this journal, refer to individuals certified by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists.

FROM YOUR EDITOR

Check over this publication. It is also on our web site.

Included is the Fellow application, Scholarship application, dates and tentative program for the 2007 conference.

The bulletin board at the end is an avenue for anyone to advertise. Think about using it, maybe you have a car for sale or something.

I hope you will make plans to attend next years conference early as there again will be some great speakers. District V from Eau Claire will be hosting it again. If you have any suggestion for the conference or for topics please feel free to contact me ASAP as we will start the speaker selection very soon.

Hope you have a great Christmas and New Years.

DEADLINE FOR NEXT ILLUMINATOR WILL BE JANUARY 25, 2007.

PUBLICATION DATES WILL BE CHANGING IN 2007.

Thank you

Linda Krause, R.T.R., RDMS , FWSRT
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Kelley Grant, B.S.RT(R)(CT)



Dear Members, Students and Friends,

Another summer has past and we are headed into another Holiday season. I look forward to all the festivities that go along with the Holidays. I am also waiting for my first flakes of snow in the Southeastern part of the state.

In the past few months many members of the WSRT have been working diligently on putting together educational programs for their districts and District V is working very hard on the WSRT conference for the spring.

The conference is going to be held at the Kalahari once again April 26th – 28th, 2007. It is our Diamond anniversary for the conference and I encourage you all to come and join the celebration of **your** state society and the state conference's 75th Birthday! Please promote this educational and networking opportunity to everyone that you know that is a Radiologic Technology professional.

There will be special booths with special historical displays in with the vendor area so everyone can stop by and appreciate our roots.

This year there will be an administrative track that offers AHRA credit for the CRA as well as ARRT. There will also be a radiology nursing track as well. These are exciting new opportunities.

The legislative committee is working very hard with ASRT on the Care Bill and the RadCare Bill at the Federal level and will be attending RT in DC as Wisconsin's representatives.

We also continue to work on the state level to lobby for licensure for technologists. As a professional society we only want the best care provided to the patient and the only way to accomplish that is to have educated individuals providing ionizing radiation to patients in a diagnostic setting. We are hoping to move this forward in the spring along with our lobbyist.

We will need everyone to take the time to contact their state representative to show support for good and safe patient care by a Registered Radiologic Technologist.

The WSRT Board is working hard investigating and moving forward on bringing you valuable perks for your membership. Currently under investigation are CE credits on the WSRT website, corporate memberships and a student mentor program. We represent you as a professional radiologic technologist. If there is anything that we can investigate or bring to you as a member that has value please contact any member of the board – or bring it to us during any board meeting or the conference.

Warm Wishes for Happy Holidays to everyone and their loved ones.

Hope to see everyone at the conference when there is warmer weather (hopefully!). If not warmer weather, then at least a heated indoor waterpark!

Sincerely,

Kelley Grant, B.S. RT(R)(CT)
WSRT President



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Educators and Students

Plans are underway for the Fourth con-joined conference of WSRT and WAERT to be held at the Kalahari Resort in Wisconsin Dells. Many educational programs will be presented including a program for administrators, and an all day Saturday line up of programs in different sub-specialties. Start to make plans to attend this great conference!! Remember the dates April 26-28, 2007, and spread the word to your co-workers and managers. Hope to see you there!!!

More information will be available in the next Illuminator.

WSRT on the Internet

www.wsrt.net



The WSRT web site is packed with all sorts of vital information for you, the medical imaging professional. So, check it out - often, as the site continues to evolve!

Have suggestions for items to add? Please sent those ideas to the web master.

Notices of WSRT district sponsored educational meetings should be submitted electronically (via email) to the web master.

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Attention: All WSRT Members You could win \$100

If you recruit the most New Active and Associate Members to the WSRT you will receive a \$100 Savings Bond. Just have the new member put your name down on their application under the question “who recruited you to the WSRT?” All technologists that recruit new members will be put in for \$50 Savings Bond drawing. This contest will take place from now until the Pre-Annual Board Meeting 2007.

Randal Jasniewski BS, R.T.R. (CV)
President - Elect

Legislative Committee Report

Sandra Helinski, Legislative Chair

August 12, 2006

Since the WSRT Annual Meeting in April, the federal CARE legislation has continued to gain co-sponsors. The current number for the House of Representatives Bill 1426 is 130, the most ever. An exciting boost to the CARE bill came in July when on the 18th, the ASRT was asked to testify in front of the House Energy and Commerce Committee, Subcommittee on Health on the merits of the CARE bill. ASRT Chief Executive Officer Lynn May testified on our behalf in this hearing titled “ Use of Imaging Services: Providing Appropriate Care of Medicare Beneficiaries.” He emphasized the three main points: Quality, Safety, and Cost Effectiveness in health care. This testimony is available on the ASRT website in its entirety. The American College of Radiology, and American College of Cardiology, the MedPAC (Medical Payment and Advisory Committee) and Department of Health and Human Services were also invited to testify for the Bill. One of the primary reasons behind the hearing was to “review the cuts to reimbursement for imaging services in the Deficit Reduction Act and to deliberate on Representative Pitts’ bill that places a two year budget-neutral moratorium on these cuts and commissions a General Accounting Office study on how the cuts will affect the quality of patient care,” according to Christine Lung of the ASRT. She also stated that “the CARE bill fits nicely into this discussion and may help to mitigate some of the controversy between the radiologists and cardiologists over reimbursement since the CARE bill deals with technologists and others who work for both specialties.” We can hope that this invitation breathes life and movement toward passage of this important legislation. The congressional timeclock is running. The entire House of Representatives is up for re-election this fall. It would be most beneficial to pass this Bill in this congressional session before we must start anew with legislators who may be unfamiliar and potentially less supportive of our bill. The Senate RadCARE Bill has garnered 17 cosponsors. Anecdotally, it has been said that the Senate Bill may end up being the catalyst for passage of a CARE law. Recently, Senator Chris Dodd, D-Connecticut, a member of the Health, Education, Labor and Pensions committee that has jurisdiction over the RadCARE bill signed on to become the 17th co-sponsor. Our Senators Kohl and Feingold both seem supportive of the bills, but have not become co-sponsors. It is unlikely that Kohl will be voted out of office this fall, so the “verbal” support that we have been told exists should remain intact.

On the state level, our committee has been working with Michael Blumenfeld to support the effort to establish state regulations regarding the qualifications of persons administering medical radiation. On June 27, I and Sue Sanson traveled to Madison to meet with Senator Carol Roessler and her assistants in the Capitol. We were given very short notice (1 day) of this audience with her. Connie Geier was unable to attend due to staffing issues at work. Michael briefed us prior to the meeting and guided it along. The reason for the meeting was to try to encourage her to appreciate our concerns about the inadequacies in the proposed updates of the Department of Health and Family Services Radiation Protection regulations HFS 157. These were the proposed updates about which I delivered a statement at a DHFS (Department of Health and Family Services) hearing concerning the exclusion of any language regulating the personnel delivering general x-ray radiation in April. The timeline for any hearings regarding the acceptance or modification of the regulations was quickly approaching. Senator Roessler gave us over an hour of her time. She even contacted the legislative attorney, Ms. Rose to look up facts during the meeting and we had a resulting conference call with her. Michael was impressed by this meeting due to the thoughtful questions she and the attorney asked. He believed as we did that we opened her eyes to an issue that she and others have not been aware of. Senator Roessler ultimately decided not to hold a hearing on July 13 to address the DHFS proposed rules. She felt that the issue was too substantial to handle in that rules process. Mark Bunge of the DHFS also believes that separate legislation is the way we should proceed. He is supportive

of our cause, but has commented that one reason for the failure of passage of the state legislation 20 years ago was because the responsibilities for the regulation was split between the Department of Regulations and Licensing and the DHFS. In the last 2 weeks, Michael has been working with Senator Roessler's office to gain her sponsorship and/or her authorization to begin drafting legislation. I am awaiting updates on this development. Michael believes that Senator Roessler of the Fond Du Lac area is a good person to champion our cause. She is Republican, and works effectively with the Democratic contingency as well. She is liked on "both sides of the aisle." She is a member of the Health, Children, Families, Aging and Long Term Care Standing Committee of the Wisconsin State Senate. Senator Roessler's re-election is not up until 2007 which would be in our favor.

I want to thank you the WSRT for allowing me to represent our quest for standards of education on both the state and federal level. My experience with the RT in DC federal effort was invaluable in preparing for the recent state meeting with the Senator. I look forward to more encounters and involvement as we forge ahead on both levels.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Helinski

WSRT/WAERT ESSAY RULES

1. **Eligibility:** All second-year (senior) students attending the WSRT/WAERT educational symposium and Radiologic Technologists attending the Annual Conference.

2.	Prizes:	Student Competition		Technologist Competition	
		First Place	\$250	First Place	\$350
		Second Place	\$175	Second Place	\$250
		Third Place	\$125	Third Place	\$175

All students and technologists who submit an essay will receive a certificate of merit in recognition for their efforts. Prizes will be awarded during the symposium.

3. **Manuscripts:** All manuscripts must be original and submitted by one author. The manuscript must have a clearly identifiable thesis statement. A thesis statement is a single sentence that formulates both your topic (central idea) and your point of view toward it. Content and conclusion should substantiate the thesis. The topic chosen shall show relevance to radiologic technology. A complete bibliography should be included and reflect the most current research available. The bibliography and footnotes, if used, must conform to APA footnote style. A sample bibliography is included. Essays must be typewritten on an 8 1/2 by 11 inch paper, double-spaced, 12 font, with wide margins and be 6 -10 pages in length.

Any graphic illustrations, charts, or diagrams used must be clearly labeled. No reference to a specific clinical site should be visible on any visuals used in the presentation.

Manuscripts submitted to the essay chairperson will not be returned to the author. Four copies of the essay manuscript and illustrations (*three with no identification*) must be submitted to the Essay Chairperson no later than the postmarking deadline as indicated on the application in order to be eligible for an award. Copies of slides or radiographs to be used do not have to be submitted.

4. **Deadline:** The essay application must be submitted to the essay chairperson according to the postmarking deadline as indicated on the current application. All Manuscripts must be submitted according to the postmarking deadline as indicated on the current application in order to be eligible for an award.
5. **Guarantee:** Each author submitting a manuscript will be required to agree in writing that she/he will present the paper orally at the symposium if it is selected for presentation.
6. **Judging:** A current listing of all eligible judges will be maintained by the WAERT. Three judges selected from the list by the essay chairperson will judge the essays on Parts 1, 2 and 3 of the "Essay Rating Scale-Paper". This will be done prior to the symposium in accordance with the judging instruction. The essay chairperson shall appoint three additional judges to evaluate the presentation of the essay at the symposium using "Essay Rating Scale-Presentation". The judges shall work independently and form their own opinions.
7. **Point Scale:** To be eligible for presentation at the symposium, a paper must accumulate a total of 78 points when judges' scores have been compiled for parts 1, 2 and 3 utilizing the "Essay Rating Scale-Paper" prior to the symposium. First, second, and third place awards will be awarded to the individuals receiving the three highest point scores. The total score on each essay is determined by compiling the scores from the paper and presentation evaluations. Please refer to the "WSRT/WAERT Essay Rating Scale-Paper & Presentation" forms for assessment procedures.

8. **Presentation at the Symposium:** Once the preliminary judging has been completed the essay chairperson will tally the points and determine eligible papers for presentation based on total points accumulated. Thirty days prior to the symposium, the essay chairperson will notify each entrant if her/his paper has been selected for presentation and the date and time of the presentation. Time limits will be strictly adhered to, and in the event a presenter runs over the allotted 15 minutes or under 12 minutes, points will be deducted in accordance with Part I: Time allotment of the Essay Presentation Rating scale. To enhance the presentation of the essay, speakers are encouraged to familiarize themselves with the essay content in an effort to avoid reading the paper verbatim. The only audio-visual equipment provided by the WAERT is a slide projector and screen. The presenter's name will be announced prior to the presentation. The radiography program the presenter is currently attending will not be identified and the presenter should avoid disclosing this information during the presentation.
9. A student may only submit into **ONE** category of competition- video exhibit, scientific exhibit or essay.
10. **Deviation from the Rules:** Deviations from these rules will be permitted only at the discretion of and by the action of the essay chairperson and the president of the WAERT.

Bibliography Samples

I. Books

A. One author

Levick, S.E. (2003). *Clone being: Exploring the psychological and social dimensions*. Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield.

B. Two or more authors

Walsh, M. E. & Murphy, J.A. (2003). *Children, health, and learning: A guide to the issues*. Westport, CT: Praeger.

C. No author given

The Lottery. (1732) London: J. Watts

D. Editor

Dickens, J. (Ed.). *Family outing: A guide for parents of gays, lesbians and bisexuals*. London: Peter Owen.

E. Article in a Reference Work

Dean, C. (1994). Jaws and teeth. In *The Cambridge encyclopedia of human evolution* (pp. 55-59). Cambridge, England: Cambridge University Press.

II. *Articles in Journals or Magazines*

A. Article in journal paginated by volume.

O'Connell, D. C., & Kowal, S. (2003). Psycholinguistics: A half century of monologism. *The American Journal of Psychology*, 116, 191-212.

Article in journal paginated by issue.

Hall, R. E. (2000). Marriage as vehicle of racism among women of color. *Psychology: A Journal of Human Behavior*, 37 (2), 29-40.

Article in a magazine

Ricciardi, S. (2003, August 5). Enabling the mobile work force. *PC Magazine*, 22, 46.

III. *Internet Sources*

You can access the following Web site for information.

<http://www.cas.usf.edu/english/walker/mla.html>

Article in an Online Periodical also appearing in print

Steedman, M., & Jones, G. P. (2000). Information structure and the syntax-phonology interface [Electronic version]. *Linguistic Inquiry*, 31, 649-689.

Chapter or section of a web site

Talking about your choices. (2001). *Partnerships for caring*. Retrieved January 15, 2004, from <http://www.partnershipforcaring.org/HomePage/>

WSRT/WAERT SCIENTIFIC EXHIBIT/VIDEO RULES

1. **Eligibility:** All second-year (senior) students attending the WSRT/WAERT educational symposium and Radiologic Technologists attending the Annual Conference.
2. **Prizes:** For Technologists and second-year students.

<u>SCIENTIFIC EXHIBIT CATEGORY</u>		<u>VIDEO DISPLAY CATEGORY</u>	
First Place	\$250	First Place	\$350
Second Place	\$175	Second Place	\$250
Third Place	\$125	Third Place	\$175

Please note that separate categories exist for video displays and scientific exhibits, therefore, first, second and third place prizes will be awarded in each category. All students and technologists who submit a scientific exhibit or video display will receive a “certificate of merit” in recognition for their efforts. Prizes will be awarded during the symposium.

3. **Application for Space:** All applications for scientific exhibit or video display space must be received by the chairperson according to the deadline posted. The exact postmarking deadline for the scientific exhibit or video display is indicated on the application. Upon receipt of an application, a letter of acknowledgment will be mailed to the exhibitor(s). The WAERT will provide a 6-foot x 30-inch table for each display. The display may be prepared by one or more students. If viewboxes are needed, participants shall make their own arrangements to have them present at the symposium. As an alternative, the exhibitor may request 6-feet by 4-feet of floor space for a free-standing, self-contained display. All displays should not exceed a height of 8-feet measured from the floor. The total display must be included within allocated space. Displays not conforming to the specifications will not be eligible for competition.
4. **Scientific Exhibit - Subject Matter:** The theme for any scientific exhibit shall address an area related to Radiology. The topic for the exhibit cannot be changed once it has been submitted on the application. Any change will lead to disqualification of the exhibit. Exhibits must be the work of the presenter(s). The name(s) of the presenter(s) and the radiography program they are enrolled in should be identified on a separate card and not placed with the exhibit until after judging has taken place. Judging will be completed prior to noon on the second day of the symposium. Exhibitors may enlist the aid of institutional print shops and/or private printing firms. Exhibits prepared by professional exhibit companies are not eligible for competition. The exhibitor must remove or block out any markings on the radiographs/images so identification of the patient or the institution is not possible. The exhibits should consist of a subject pertaining to radiological technology supplemented by such charts, photographs, or technical factors as may be necessary. (Any additional credits or resources should be acknowledged.) Exhibits will not be considered for awards if they have received a first, second or third place award at the ASRT Annual Conference or other physician-oriented conference (A.C.R., R.S.N.A., etc.) Exhibits do not require viewboxes and may consist of projection equipment and devices designed by the exhibitor. Please refer to the “WSRT/WAERT Scientific Exhibit Rating Scale” for assessment procedures.

Video Display - Subject Matter: The theme for any video display shall address an area related to Radiology. The topic for the video cannot be changed once it has been submitted on the application. Any change in topic will lead to disqualification of the video display. Video displays must be the work of the presenter(s). The name(s) of the presenter(s) and the radiography program they are enrolled in should not be identified anywhere within the video presentation. A separate card identifying the presenter(s) and radiography program should be placed next to the video display after judging has taken place. Judging will be complete prior to noon on the second day of the symposium. Time limits will be strictly adhered to, and in the event a video runs longer than the allotted 15 minutes or under 12 minutes, points will be deducted according to the video rating scale. All video and display equipment must be provided by the individual(s) creating the video. Please refer to the “WSRT/WAERT Video Rating Scale” for assessment procedures.

5. Time of Installation and Dismantling: The time of installation of the exhibits will be determined by the exhibit/video chairperson. Installation must be completed prior to the opening of the symposium. The presenter(s) must be present during the installation of the display, however, presenter may enlist the assistance of others. The Exhibit/Video Committee will be available to assist. Dismantling of the exhibit/video display must be completed by an assigned time of the last day of the symposium. The exhibit/video chairperson will assign specific hours for installation and dismantling.
6. Judging: The exhibit/video chairperson will appoint three judges from the current list of eligible judges maintained by the WAERT. To ensure accuracy of the exhibit/video information, medical imaging professionals will be selected as judges.

The judges will base their ratings on the WSRT/WAERT Scientific Exhibit Rating Scale or the WSRT/WAERT Video Rating Scale, and their opinions will be final. Judging will take place during the symposium. First, second and third place awards will be presented to the individual(s) receiving the highest scores in the Scientific Exhibit and Video Display categories. In the event of a tie for first place, two first place awards will be presented. In the event of a tie for second place, two second place awards will be presented. In both of these instances there will not be a third place.

7. Liability: WAERT will take all reasonable precautions to safeguard the exhibits/videos during the period of display, but the presenters are responsible for any loss or damage to the exhibit/video displays.
8. A student may only submit an entry into **ONE** category of competition, video exhibit , scientific exhibit or essay.
9. Deviation from The Rules: Deviation from the rules will be permitted only at the discretion of and by the action of the exhibit/video chairperson and the president of the WAERT.

WSRT/WAERT

Essay, Scientific Exhibit, Video Exhibit Application

Return To: Chairperson Essays/Exhibits

Ron Marker, BS, R.T. (R)
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Name: _____

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Title of Essay Video or Scientific Exhibit _____

(Please circle which type of category you are entering)

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Four copies of the essay manuscript and illustrations (three with no student name visible) must be submitted no later than: **March 2, 2007**. Copies of slides or radiographs to be used do not have to be submitted.

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Note: Illuminators are NOT supplied.

Electricity needed for the exhibit: Yes No

(Please circle)

I understand that to be eligible for an award I must be registered for and attending the Student Symposium and must comply with all essay/exhibit/video competition rules. At the time of the Symposium, I will be in my second year of radiography education.

Student Signature

I verify that the applicant is a second-year radiographer enrolled at my institution and will attend the Student Symposium.

Program Director

If you have not received a confirmation of your application within a reasonable time after submitting your application, please contact the essay/exhibit/video chairperson



The Wisconsin Society of Radiologic Technologists

FELLOW APPLICATION

In order to recognize the significant contributions of WSRT members to our professional association, the WSRT has instituted a Fellow status.

Using the evaluation point scale and form below, members may submit an application for Fellow status. Applications are made to the Fellow Committee. All applicants will be notified of the Committee's decision, and those members who qualify for Fellow status will be recognized at the following state annual conference.

The deadline for submission of applications is March 1. Fellow status will be conferred at the following state annual conference. Application fee is \$25 to the WSRT.

INSTRUCTIONS

Please note that it is improvement to submit appropriate documentation to support the total value of each category. Documentation relative to titles of lectures and locations, as well as references of publications must be submitted. Inclusion of a resume or curriculum vitae is also requested.

There are four major evaluation categories: WSRT contributions, education, professional experience, and professional contributions. Each of these has a maximum point limit.

Items within each category are assigned a point value, indicated in parentheses. The applicant identifies the year(s) of achievement for each item and multiplies that by the point value. For example, Item IA2, each elected office at 4 points:

Office: Treasurer Yr. 1979-82 (3 yrs. x 4 = 12)

Office: Secretary Yr. 1984-86 (2 yrs. x 4 = 8)

All accomplishments, ie., elected offices, Committee appointments, publications, etc. must have been completed at the time of application in order to be eligible for consideration.

Completed applications should be mailed to:

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A. State Level

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| 1. President Elect (4) | Yr: _____ | _____ |
| 2. President (4) | Yr: _____ | _____ |
| 3. Past President (1) | Yr: _____ | _____ |
| 4. Other Offices (4)
(elected or appointed midterm) | | |
| Office: _____ | Yr: _____ | |
| Office: _____ | Yr: _____ | |
| Office: _____ | Yr: _____ | _____ |
| 5. Each appointment as chairman of a committee (3) | | |
| Committee: _____ | Yr: _____ | |
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| 6. Each appointment as member of a committee (2) | | |
| Committee: _____ | Yr: _____ | |
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| Committee: _____ | Yr: _____ | _____ |
| 7. Each appointment at-large (2) | | |
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| Appointment: _____ | Yr: _____ | _____ |
| 8. Each appointment as chairman or member of an
ad-hoc committee (2) | | |
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| Appointment: _____ | Yr: _____ | _____ |

B. District Level

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| 1. President Elect (3) | Yr: _____ | _____ |
| 2. President (3) | Yr: _____ | _____ |
| 3. Past President (1) | Yr: _____ | _____ |
| 4. Each elected/appointed Office (3) | | |
| Office: _____ | Yr: _____ | |
| Office: _____ | Yr: _____ | _____ |
| 5. Each appointment as chairman of a committee (2) | | |
| Committee: _____ | Yr: _____ | |
| Committee: _____ | Yr: _____ | _____ |

6. Each appointment as member of a committee (1)

Committee: _____ Yr: _____

Committee: _____ Yr: _____

7. Each appointment at-large (1)

Appointment: _____ Yr: _____

Appointment: _____ Yr: _____

8. Each appointment as chairman or member of an ad-hoc committee (1)

Committee: _____ Yr: _____

Committee: _____ Yr: _____

C. Membership (first 5 years (1); additional point for each year after 5 years up to 10 points)

1. Active From : _____ To: _____

2. Associate From : _____ To: _____

3. Contributing From : _____ To: _____

Maximum 45: **TOTAL** _____

II Education

A. Certification ARRT (3): for each additional certification add (1)

Yr: _____

Yr: _____

B. Associate's degree (8)

Institution: _____

Associate of: _____

C. Baccalaureate degree (8)

Yr: _____

Institution: _____

Associate of: _____

D. Master's degree (9)

Yr: _____

Institution: _____

Master's in: _____

E. Doctorate (M.D., Ph.D., etc) (10)

Yr: _____

Institution: _____

Type: _____

Maximum 35 **TOTAL** _____

III Professional Experience

A. For each year of full-time work in radiology (4)

From : _____ To: _____

B. For each year of full-time work in related radiology areas (4)

From : _____ To: _____

Maximum 35: **TOTAL** _____

IV Professional Contributions*

A. Lecturer (each hour)

- 1. State level (3) _____
- 2. District level (2) _____
- 3. Local level (1) _____

**B. Publication of papers in recognized national or state journals
(3 pt. of each)**

C. Scientific paper presented at state meeting (5 pts. for each)

D. Scientific Exhibit at state meeting (3 pts. for each)

Maximum 25: **TOTAL** _____

E. Other outstanding WSRT achievements (5)

Total Qualifying Points _____

Total Points Required 105

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	Maximum Points	Total Achieved
CATEGORY I	45	_____
CATEGORY II	25	_____
CATEGORY III	35	_____
CATEGORY V	25	_____

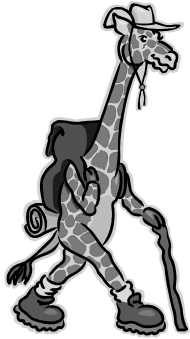
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 Chairman

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Stretch Your Knowledge at the Kalahari Safari II

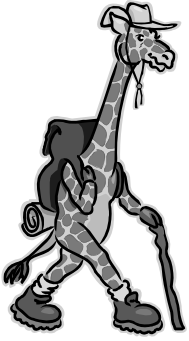
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- I* Imaging Conference for
- R* Radiologic Sciences
- A* Administrators
- G* Graduate Technologists
- E* Educators and Students

District 5 would like to invite you to join us for the WSRT Annual Conference. The conference will be Wednesday, April 25th thru Saturday, April 28th, 2007 at the Kalahari Resort in Wisconsin Dells. We will begin registration Wednesday evening April 25th and at the beginning of each day of the conference.

The Conference will include many interesting speakers covering topics from Administrative, General, Mammography, CT, MRI, CR/DR/PAC, NM, Interventional and Radiology Nursing.

A block of rooms has been reserved so call early. Your attendance is encouraged and appreciated. You will not be sorry that you attended. We hope to see you there.

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April 25 – 28, 2007

Kalahari Resort—Wisconsin Dells

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7 TENTATIVE PROGRAM

Stretch Your Knowledge at the Kalahari Safari II

Seek Refuge at MIRAGE

Wednesday, April 25, 2007

- 5:00—8:00 pm Pre-annual board meeting
- 6:00—8:00 pm Registration
- 7:00—9:00 pm (Exhibit set up time for vendors/students)?

Thursday, April 26, 2007

- 7:00—9:00 am Registration
- 7:00—9:30 am (Exhibit set up time for vendors/students)
- 8:00—8:30 am **OPENING CEREMONIES/WELCOME**
- 8:40—10:10 am Key note speaker
- 10:10 – 10:25 am Break
- 10:30 – 11:45 am WSRT Meeting
- 12:00 – 1:00 pm Lunch
- 1:05 – 2:05 pm Speaker – Dennis Roth – “4 Themes of a Healthy Work Environment”
- 2:10 – 2:25 pm Break
- 2:30 – 3:30 pm Speaker – Mark Herr MD, “Ankle Arthrodesis”
- 3:40 – 4:40 pm Speaker – Stephen Endres, MD, “Use of Fluoroscopy for the Intervention of Pain Management-A Historical Perspective”

Dinner on your own

Friday, April 27, 2007

- 7:00—8:00 am Registration
- 8:00 – 9:00 am Speaker – Thomas Carmody, MD
- 9:10 – 10:10 am Speaker - Thomas Carmody, MD
- 10:15 – 10:30 am Break
- 10:35 – 11:45 am WSRT Meeting
- 12:00 – 1:30 pm Lunch past presidents
- 1:45 – 3:00 Invitational Lecturer
- 3:10 – 3:25 pm Break
- 3:30 – 4:30 pm Speaker – Jose Ortiz MD, “The Scaphoid: That crazy peanut shaped wrist bone”

Administrative Track

- 8:00-9:00 Roger Rhodes, CHE,FAHRA, “Leading and Surviving Change”
- 9:10 – 10:10 am Reimbursement tbd
- 10:15 – 10:30 am Break
- 10:35 – 11:45 am WSRT Meeting
- 12:00 – 1:30 pm Lunch past presidents
- 1:45 – 3:00 Invitational Lecturer
- 3:10 – 3:25 pm Break
- 3:30 – 4:30 pm Jackie Cemke, Mary Lou Daze, “Human Resources 101: A Primer for Managers”

Dinner on your own

Saturday, April 28, 2007

7:00—8:00 am Registration
8:30 – 9:30 am General session speaker - Scott Hazelbaker, “Motivating an X-ray Department”
Mammography
9:40—10:40 am Speaker – Teresa Sisco, RN “Radiology Nursing in Mammography”
10:45—11:00 am Break
11:05 – 12:05 am Speaker
12:15 - 1:15 pm Lunch
1:20—2:20 pm Speaker - Carol Mount, “Implementation of Digital Mammography”
2:30 – 3:30 pm Speaker – Michelle Nordland, “Mayo Molecular Breast Imaging and MRI”
3:35—3:50 pm Break
3:55 – 4:55 pm Speaker – Mayo, “Radioactive Seed Implants As A Replacement for Wire Locs”

CT/MRI

9:40—10:40 am Speaker – Gregory Brickner, MD “Current Topics in CT Imaging”
10:45—11:00 am Break
11:05 12:05 am Speaker, Donn Dexter, MD
12:15 -1:15 pm Lunch
1:20—2:20 pm Speaker - James Manz, MD
2:30 – 3:30 pm Speaker - Robert Manz, MD
3:35—3:50 pm Break
3:55 – 4:55 pm Speaker – David Henly, MD “ IVP and CT Urogram”

CV / NUCLEAR MEDICINE

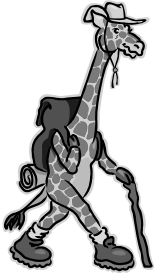
9:40—10:40 am Speaker – Scott Cole, MD “ Hot Topics in Nuclear Medicine”
10:40—10:55 am Break
11:00 – 12:00 am Speaker
12:15 – 1:15 pm Lunch
1:15—2:15 pm Speaker, Kris Monson (NM)
2:25 – 3:25 pm Speaker
3:25—3:40 pm Break
3:45 – 4:45 pm Speaker

CR/DR/PAC

9:40—10:40 am Speaker – Ron Green – “Implementing a PACS System”
10:45—11:00 am Break
11:05—12:05 am Speaker – Brian Pauley, MD – “Digital Radiography in the ER”
12:15 - 1:15 pm Lunch
1:20—2:20 pm Speaker – GE – “CR/DR Advances”
2:30 – 3:30 pm Speaker
3:35—3:50 pm Break
3:55 – 4:55 pm Speaker

INTERVENTIONAL/RADIOLOGY NURSING

9:40-10:40 am – Craig Lange, R.T.,(R).(CV) “IR For Beginners”
10:45-11:00 am– Break
11:05-12:05 – Speaker tbd – “Maintaining a Sterile Environment in the IR Suite”
12:15-1:15 pm- Lunch
1:20-2:20 pm- Diego Hernandez, MD, “Atherectomy for PAD”
Shirish Patel, MD
2:30-3:30 Chris Pook, RN, “The Role of the RN in Radiology”
3:35-3:50 Break
3:55-4:55- Robert Beres, MD, “Kyphoplasty/Vertebroplasty”



**WSRT 75th Annual Conference
Advanced Registration
Kalahari Resort, Wisconsin Dells
April 26th – April 28th, 2007**

Name _____ E-mail _____ Phone _____
 Last First
 Address _____ District _____
 Street City State Zip

- RT (ARRT) WSRT Fellow Educator
 ASRT Member Honorary/Life Member Guest
 WSRT Member WSRT Past President
 Student Member Student Non-member
- Other professional Imaging Society / Organization – please, indicate _____

I will attend: Thursday Friday Saturday

The Advance registration fee includes Thursday, Friday & Saturday breaks and lunches. Please note that luncheons will not be provided to on site registrants.

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| <u>R.T. WSRT Members</u> | <u>EDUCATORS MEMBERS</u> | <u>PAST PRESIDENTS</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3 Days - \$185 | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Days - \$70 | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Days - \$40 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Days - \$155 | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Day - \$40 | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Day - \$20 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Day - \$120 | | <input type="checkbox"/> *Day of Past President Luncheon – No Fee |

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| <u>NON-MEMBER</u> | <u>STUDENTS</u> | <u>EXHIBITOR/ESSAYIST</u> | <u>GUEST</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3 Days - \$235 | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Days - \$50 | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 Days - \$100 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$40 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Days - \$205 | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Day - \$25 | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Days - \$80 | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Day - \$185 | | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Day - \$60 | |

Proof of WSRT Membership: in Good Standing is required with this FORM. Send a COPY of current membership card or a copy of canceled check or current WSRT membership. As a courtesy, Society Memberships from neighboring states will qualify for member fees.

Other Organizations: Members of other professional imaging societies/organizations, e.g. RTOW, Nuclear Medicine (WSNMT), Mammography, MRI, AHRA, and other pertinent organizations will qualify for members fees. Please provide a COPY of your membership card with this form.

***Past Presidents:** No registration fee will be charged if only attending the day of Past Presidents Luncheon.

Advance Registration must be received no later than April 19, 2007. Registrations postmarked after **April 20, 2007** will be assessed a \$10.00 fee. A \$10.00 increase in fees will be charged for on-site registration during the conference.

Early Bird Registration: The names of all individuals who register before will be entered into a drawing for reimbursement of their registration fee.

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Hotel: Make your reservations directly with the Kalahari Resort at 1-877-253-5466. You must inform the hotel that you are attending the “WAERT/WSRT Room Block” to receive the conference rate of \$109.00 + tax for Wednesday, Thursday and Friday nights and \$169.00 + tax for Saturday night for the Desert rooms. There are a limited number of rooms in our Block at the price listed, so reserve early. Reservation deadline for the Kalahari Resort is *Thursday March 24th , 2007*.

Folders: Pre-Registered members may pick up their folders starting Wednesday April 25th, 2007 from 6:00 – 8:00 pm.

Badges: Registration badges will be required for admission to all sessions and social events.

SPECIAL NEEDS: Please indicate on the bottom of this form if you have special dietary needs or require special physical accommodations. Please inform the hotel also for any physical accommodations necessary regarding your room.

Cancellations & Refunds: Cancellations must be made in writing by April 1, 2007. All refunds will be assessed a \$10.00 handling charge. No refunds will be made after April 19, 2007.

Entertainment

- You are invited to enjoy the many activities provided by the Wisconsin Dells and Kalahari Resort.

Mail Registration To:

Theresa Ableidinger
Luther Midelfort
1400 Bellinger St.
Eau Claire, WI 54703

Number of Guests _____

Total Fees Enclosed _____

Please make your check or Money Order payable to WSRT District V Educational Fund. Your canceled check will serve as confirmation for the annual conference.

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Wisconsin Society of Radiologic Technologists

Membership Application

VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT WWW.WSRT.NET



(Please print the required information legibly)

Mail completed form and correct dues amount to:

WSRT Member Services
2703 Red Pine Court
Green Bay, WI 54313-7943

Membership Participation

Active/ASRT members are also active members of the American Society of Radiologic Technologists, *(Proof on ASRT membership required with application.)*

Associate members are actively practicing the art and science of Radiologic Technology who are not members of the ASRT.

Inactive are no longer engaged in the field of Radiologic Technology.

Commercial/Supporting members are interested in promoting the purposes and functions of the Wisconsin Society of Radiologic Technologists.

Student members are enrolled in an educational program recognized by an acceptable accrediting body.

Chapter Information

Chapter selection helps the WSRT identify possible members who would be qualified to represent the WSRT at the annual ASRT House of Delegates in their respective chapters.

***ASRT Members:** The WSRT offers a reduced fee to all members who also hold membership in the ASRT. To receive active status and reduced fee, you must enclose a copy of your current ASRT membership card. Your ARRT card does not qualify for this discount.

Recruitment Incentive:

Who asked you to join the WSRT?
They could win a prize!

Student Applicants please complete the following:

Program where presently enrolled:

Start Date: _____

Completion Date: _____

Program Director: _____

Application Date: _____

First Name: _____ Middle Initial: _____

Last Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip + 4: _____

Work Phone: (_____) _____ Home Phone: (_____) _____

E-mail Address: _____ WSRT District #: _____

Currently registered by ___ ARRT Registry # _____

Currently registered by ___ ARDMS ___ NMTCB ___ ASCP ___ CCI

Please write your credentials as they appear on your technologist registry card: _____

Member Dues

(Please circle one) year	One	Two			
	years	years	Primary	Secondary	
			(Please select 1)	(Optional)	
Active/ASRT*	\$30	\$50	_____	_____	Bone Densitometry
Associate	\$35	\$60	_____	_____	CIT
Inactive/ASRT*	\$20		_____	_____	Computed Tomography
Inactive	\$25		_____	_____	Dosimetry
Supporting/ASRT*	\$25		_____	_____	Education
Supporting	\$30		_____	_____	Magnetic Resonance
New Grad Discount	\$25		_____	_____	Mammography
Student Active/ASRT*	\$10	\$15	_____	_____	Management
Student	\$15	\$25	_____	_____	Military
			_____	_____	Nuclear Medicine
			_____	_____	Radiation Therapy
			_____	_____	Radiology
			_____	_____	Sonography

Chapter Selection

(Please check all appropriate offerings)

The Wisconsin Society of Radiologic Technologists is asked by other professional and educational organizations to share our membership list. Do you wish to be included in mailings from:

____ Professional ____ Educational ____ No Mailings Please
How would you like to receive your copy of the "Illuminator?"
____ Mailed ____ E-mailed ____ Posted on www.wsrt.net

Legislative Committee Report

WSRT Mid-Year Board Meeting

November 11, 2006

Sandra Helinski, RT(R), QM, MR, Chairperson

Since the last report in August, the federal effort for minimum standards of education in the radiologic professions has gained momentum. As was predicted, the Senate RadCARE bill became the leader in furthering our cause after its congressional hearing with ASRT CEO Lynn May on July 18. According to Chistine Lung of the ASRT, Senate Bill S2322 received a unanimous favorable recommendation from the Health, Education, Labor and Pensions (HELP) Committee with minor amendments on September 20 during this mark-up session. The bill now is waiting to be put on the Senate floor calendar by the Majority Leader when the Senate reconvenes about November 14. If there is no action during the remaining “lame duck” session of Congress, the bill will have to be reintroduced when the 111th Congress convenes in January. The Senate bill currently has 18 co-sponsors.

The CARE Bill is still pending in the House Energy and Commerce (HEC) Committee with 134 cosponsors. The Alliance for Quality Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy recommended that the House Committee Chairman, Representative Chip Pickering, the CARE Bill’s chief sponsor, move the bill forward by modifying its content to match that of the RADCare bill. The Alliance favored the language of the RadCARE bill as it includes ultrasound imaging. Ms. Lung reported that the HEC committee is drafting a large Medicare package that could be put on the committee’s agenda for the session following elections. The revised CARE bill will be a part of that package. Should the legislative package received a hearing and be marked up, it would be placed on the House floor calendar. If passed by the House and Senate, with the bills’ matching language, the Bill would be enacted into law. Of course there are no guarantees, but this Congressional session has been the most successful for the movement of this effort. The change of the majority party in both the Senate and the House may alter the bills’ leadership and the momentum of the bill. Should our legislation not pass during this session, the RadCARE version will have to be reintroduced in the 110th Congress in January. Plans are well underway for the next RT in DC program to be held March 18-20. I encourage the WSRT Board to approve funding for WSRT participation to keep our federal efforts on our legislators’ radar screen.

On the state level, work has continued with Michael Blumenfeld in our mission to create state regulatory standards for medical imaging. On August 17, we received word that Senator Carol Roessler approved the drafting of such a bill. Even though she is not likely to be the chief sponsor of the bill, she has approved this move. Any legislator must first approve that a bill for any reason be drafted, whether he/she is the bill’s sponsor or not. Senator Roessler is the Chair of the Senate Health standing committee (Health, Children, Families, Aging and Long Term Care) that will ultimately have great influence over the movement of the bill.

Materials were submitted to Michael after conference calls were held as to what should be included in this the draft. After research on all of our parts, Michael submitted the materials to the Legislative Reference Bureau. Questions came from the drafting attorney the week of October 23 regarding the content of the bill. It was interesting to see that they asked pointed questions referring to the ASRT Model Bill versus Model Acts on the ASRT website. After clarifications were made with the help of Sue Sanson, the Model Bill was the favored version for the drafting of our state regulations. The question of the scope of modalities that our state draft would address was answered in an e-mail survey. All respondents from the

WSRT web group favored streamlining the legislation to address diagnostic radiologic services at this time. Michael, Sue Sanson, Connie and I met with Michael on Friday, November 3 to discuss the identification of key legislators to sponsor this legislation. This meeting was held in anticipation of an imminent draft of the bill. On Wednesday, November 8, a draft of the bill was sent via e-mail for review. At this point, it is just a framework, and needs adjustments at first glance. However, it is a start. We will need help interpreting the references made to current state regulations included in the bill. Having a working draft puts us in a good position to begin meeting with legislators with the state legislative calendar in mind. We planned a strategy that will be begin before the end of 2006 and continue into 2007. We hope to model the RT in DC program on a state level to introduce our cause to our state assembly and senatorial legislators and gain their support. WSRT Board and committee members will be asked to participate. WSRT members of key legislative districts may be identified and contacted to assist. Connie Geier hosted a site visit in the late summer at her workplace with State Officials. She has a separate summary of this event.

The WSRT also registered with the Wisconsin Ethics Board after the Board approved the disbursement of the fee. It is a requirement after a certain number of contacts are made with state officials. We will be required to re-register in January for another 2 year period. Gary Gobert, in his current position as Chairman of the Board was named CEO of our organization on the registration papers.

Thank you for allowing me to serve as Chairperson of the Legislative Committee. Connie Geier and I with our federal experience, and Sue Sanson with the educator's perspective and knowledge work well with Michael to get him what he needs to further our quest. I am committed to the time it may require to accomplish appropriate patient protection in the state and federal efforts.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Helinski M.B.A.,RT (R), QM, MR

Districts Report

District 2 Report

We held our fall Saturday Conference on October 21, 2006. We offered 4 A credits. The subjects included “Hip Imagining New Concepts: “Breast MRI: It’s Use in Diagnosis” and Birmingham Resurfacing Technique”. All speakers were warmly welcomed and had excellent evaluations by the group.

During our business meeting several tech.’s brought up the fact that ARRT no longer give credit for CPR. I explained that it was my impression that if we had advance CPR training that it was counted. I will look into this to clarify it. We talked about the CARE/Rad acts and how we were hoping to get it through this congress. If not we will have to start over next year. There were several comments about what it would all mean to us if passed.

We are hoping to find a Saturday this spring to have another Saturday Conference offering 4 more credits. We hope to continue to have 2 mammo and 2 general topics.

Officers

President—Marsha Jones

President elect—open

Secretary—Lynn Evans

Treasurer—Karen Wimmmler

Dist Rep—Julie Tessen

Districts Report

WSRT District III

November 1, 2006 Meeting Report

Twenty-three radiology professionals gathered at the Holiday Inn Select in Appleton, Wisconsin for the November 1st WSRT District III meeting. This was down from the forty attendees from the May meeting in the Green Bay area. This meeting was held in Appleton in an attempt to draw more interest from the Fox Valley. That was not successful; however, I asked one attendee from FonDuLac if she would have attended if the meeting was held in Green Bay and she commented that she would not have, so perhaps it's wise to continue to look for meeting places around the district.

Former WSRT State President and current Bellin School of Radiologic Technology Program Director Randy Griswold presented "CR vs. DR – A Comparative Analysis". The program was approved for 1 C.E. by the ASRT.



Randy spoke at length about the present state of CR and DR along with where that market is headed. He did a fantastic job of explaining the process by which images are obtained using CR and DR. While the presentation was worthy of one CE credit, Randy walked the group through what might be a semester's worth of knowledge in just over an hour. Attendees came away with a great understanding of CR and DR, the advantages and disadvantages, and it was all presented in an easy to understand manner. Thank You Randy for a great presentation!



A brief business meeting was held after the presentation.

- Regular mail vs. E-mail: It was decided that e-mail should continue to be used as much as possible to inform the district of meetings as it has the potential to touch many more people than regular mail. Regular mail will continue to go to WSRT members and those without e-mail. Regular mail will also continue to hospitals and radiology providers to inform departments.
- Survey feedback: Tonight's CR vs. DR presentation was the most requested meeting topic from the survey conducted at the May meeting. We will continue to use that survey to answer the district's needs. Another finding from that survey was the small number (3) of people (of 40 surveys that night) who are willing to serve on a district board. There were a few more that stated they would be willing to serve on an advisory board. Because it has historically been a struggle to staff the local board positions, the members decided to continue with my leadership and the ad hoc use of an advisory board. Those willing to be advisory board members were identified on those surveys and I have that list.

- Saturday meeting “event”: The idea of a Saturday meeting with multiple speakers and multiple credits received strong support from those in attendance. Even those from far distances agreed that for a reasonable price, they would make a trip to Green Bay for such a meeting. It is likely that this would be our next meeting arrangement, in January or February 2007.
- Financial: There was a \$3 charge for this evening’s meeting to offset some of the costs. It was agreed that students should continue to get into our district meetings free of charge. Not factoring November meeting expenses and attendance income, there is a \$5,523.08 balance in the district account.

End of meeting.

Respectfully Submitted, Craig Satori, RTR, MR

- Post-meeting idea: There seemed to be positive feedback about organizing a bowling event for a great cause – breast cancer. “Bowl for the Cure” events can be organized with bowling alleys and leagues. It might be a nice social event to be organized by our local district to help raise money for breast cancer research. Teams of 4 could be assembled to not only bowl, but to raise as many dollars as possible. This would be scheduled for late winter. More information to follow. District III would challenge other districts to hold their own “Bowl for the Cure” event and raise more money than District III. For more information, go to www.bowl.com



For Immediate Release

Contact: Craig Orfield
(202) 224-6770

Wednesday, September 20, 2006

***ENZI ANNOUNCES PASSAGE OF RADIOLOGY CARE BILL TO
IMPROVE MEDICAL CARE, REDUCE COSTS***

Washington, D.C. - U.S. Senator Mike Enzi (R-WY), Chairman of the Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee (HELP Committee), today said the Committee unanimously approved the “Consumer Assurance of Radiologic Excellence Act” (RadCARE Bill), a bill that will improve patient safety and health care quality by advancing uniform standards for medical imaging certification.

“For millions of Americans each year, the road to diagnosis, treatment, and healing begins in the radiology department,” Enzi said. “The RadCARE bill will require national education standards for the professionals that perform medical imaging and radiation therapy to ensure that they are properly trained. This bill is vital to improving patient safety and health care quality.”

Each year, between 4 percent and 7 percent of medical imaging examinations have to be repeated due to improper positioning or technique. This not only puts patient safety at risk due to the threat of overexposure to radiation during a radiologic test, but it also costs Americans and the federal government a staggering amount in unnecessary health care bills. **If the provisions of the RadCARE bill, S. 2322, could reduce the number of repeat examinations nationally by just 1 percent, Medicare would save an estimated \$92 million a year.**

“Passing this bill will not only improve health care quality and save lives, it will also reduce costs and make radiologic care more affordable and accessible for patients in need,” Enzi said.

Medical imaging is an invaluable tool in the diagnosis, treatment, and management of disease, but most radiologic procedures also carry a potential health risk. S. 2322 would reduce that risk and improve the safety of medical imaging by ensuring that the procedures are carried out by well-trained, qualified professionals, and by requiring that the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS):

- Consult with recognized experts to establish standards to ensure the safety and accuracy of medical imaging studies and radiation therapy treatments;
- Require licensure for providers of technical services by each state;
- Provide flexible means of meeting those requirements, including by examination, certification, experience, completion of course work, or other means as determined by the Secretary; and,
- Certify qualified entities as approved bodies for accreditation.

“By establishing national education and credentialing standards, the RadCARE Bill will ensure that quality information is presented for diagnosis and that radiation treatments are delivered accurately and safely,” Enzi said. “It will reduce the chance of misdiagnosis, additional testing, and needless patient anxiety.”

You Don t Want to Miss This!

By Monica M. Hendricks, R.T.(R)(M)(BS)

There are so many good reasons to plan on attending the next Wisconsin Society of Radiologic Technologists Annual Conference. What a great way to stay current in your field of interest, and accumulate your required continuing education credits!

While there are great benefits and advantages to acquiring your CE's online or with directed readings, nothing compares to hearing a dedicated professional's infectious enthusiasm for his or her chosen field. All of your senses are engaged while sitting in a "live presentation". You see the great power point or multimedia presentation with images and hear the subject being taught or shared. The speaker can impart his unique perspective on certain aspects of a topic.

You need to stay current with anything that affects our profession, whether it is new and changing technology and techniques, or the newest opportunities in legislation that will affect us. An annual conference also allows you to network with other professionals with similar experiences and interests.

Your WSRT Annual Conference committee is working hard to offer excellent speakers and topics for our 75th Annual Conference. Set aside these days right now and plan on attending in Spring 2007. See you there!

RTOW Reports

Greetings to all WSRT members,

To those of you who do not know me, I am the Radiation Therapists of Wisconsin (RTOW) president. As I am writing this letter to you, I am thinking of all the things to come this year; soon, there will be snow on the ground and the holiday season will be upon us. Additionally, I am looking forward to the upcoming year with the RTOW and the WSRT and the many things we can accomplish together. One of the most significant to me is to be able to participate with fellow WSRT members to join in the endeavor in Washington D.C. for the CARE and RadCARE bills.

To me, part of our profession is to educate the public and to do whatever we can to make sure our patients are receiving the best and safest care possible while they are in our hospitals. I was given the chance to attend RT in D.C. in March of 2006 and had the chance to help educate our Representatives and Senators on how important our jobs are what an impact we can make with our patients. I will be participating in RT in D.C. this coming March 2007 to push the CARE and RadCARE bills a little farther in the legislative process. What an exciting time to be representing our state when we are so close to shifting the way people regard our professions! I look forward to working with the WSRT.

Happy Holidays and Best Wishes,

Sarah Seefeld B.S., R.T.(T).

RTOW President

WSRT Continuing Education Reimbursement Application

Professional Advancement Reimbursement for \$400.00

This reimbursement is offered for attending a formal certified program from an accredited learning facility in the areas of: Nuclear Medicine, Ultrasound, Radiation Oncology, CT, MRI, Special Procedures, Radiology, Management, or Education.

Minimum Qualifications

1. Must be ARRT registered (in good standing) and a WSRT member (in good standing), for at least 2 consecutive years just prior to application for reimbursement.
2. Must be presently employed within the imaging sciences for at least 3 years.
3. Must provide documentation of acceptance into the formal education program.
 - A. Persons pursuing education goals on a full-time basis may apply for documenting \$400.00 in course and book fees.
 - B. Reimbursement **after** acceptance into a formal program and persons pursuing educational goals on a part-time basis may apply for reimbursement after completion of the course.
4. Courses from which you have received reimbursement from another source are not eligible.
5. To be eligible for this reimbursement, you must have participated in at least one of the WSRT activities listed below.
 - A. Elected State or District office held
 - B. State appointed Committee Member or Chairperson
 - C. Present essay or exhibit at state meeting
 - D. Speaker at ECE approved program (district seminars or WSRT Annual Conference, WAERT, etc.)
 - E. District committee member or chairperson
 - F. Annual conference planning committee member or chairperson

Reimbursement Selection

The Reimbursement Committee shall meet at least once a year, at the Pre-Annual Conference board meeting to review applications for minimum qualifications and to select one recipient for reimbursement by lottery from qualified applications.

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WSRT Participation	
<i>List activities from part E of minimum qualifications and point totals to determine eligibility.</i>	
Activity	Points

Employment as a Radiologic Technologist	
<i>Employer</i>	
<i>City</i>	<i>Dates of Employment</i>
<i>Signature and Title of Person Recommending You</i>	

Educational Facility	
<i>name</i>	<i>city</i>
<i>total expenses (tuition and books)</i>	<i>date of payment</i>

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The WSRT Cannot Consider Reimbursement Applications Which Are Not Complete.

To assure that your application can be considered, please assure that you **have** included the following:

1. Completed all areas of page 1 of this application.
2. Photocopy of WSRT membership card.
Include documentation of all WSRT participation.
3. Documentation of acceptance into the formal education program as described in qualifications.
4. Documentation of educational expenses (tuition and book fees).
5. Sign and date application below.

Signature and Date

I hereby verify that all of the information included in this application correct.

Signature

date

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